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SUBJECT: UN UNIVERSITY

REF: MEMO NOVEMBER 9, 1973 FORSTER TO JONES

1. BALBIR, UNESCO SECRETARIAT, REPORTED TO PERMDEL ON UNESCO'S PARTICIPATION IN DISCUSSION ON UN UNIVERSITY AT ECOSOC MEETING. HE INFORMED PERMDEL THAT OCTOBER 1974 IS TARGET DATE FOR THE OPENING OF THE UNIVERSITY. AT PRESENT TIME, BALBIR IS ASSISTING THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, UNESCO, IN PREPARING A LIST OF 24 PERSONS TO BE PROPOSED FOR COUNCIL OF THE UN UNIVERSITY. INFORMED PERMDEL THAT UN WILL ALSO SELECT LIST OF 24. THEN THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND DIRECTOR GENERAL WILL MAKE FINAL SELECTION FROM COMBINED LIST.

2. IT IS GENERALLY ACCEPTED THAT FIVE MAJOR POWERS WILL HAVE REPRESENTATION ON COUNCIL. OTHER MEMBERS TO BE SELECTED ON GEOGRAPHICAL BASIS.

3. IN CONFIDENCE, BALBIR INFORMED PERMDEL THAT ANDREW CORDIER, MEMBER OF FOUNDING COMMITTEE, IS INTERESTED IN BEING US REPRESENTATIVE ON COUNCIL. BALBIR RAISES QUESTION OF WHETHER US MIGHT NOT PREFER YOUNGER, WELL-KNOWN ACADEMICIAN WHO ALSO WOULD

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HELP IN FUND-RAISING. BALBIR EXPECTS TO HAVE TENTATIVE LIST

AVAILABLE BY DECEMBER 8 WHEN HE GOES ON HOME LEAVE FOR A MONTH.
PERMDEL WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADVICE CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT'S
INSTRUCTION RE US REPRESENTATION ON THE COUNCIL. PERMDEL
WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING POSSIBLE
INTEREST OF UNIVERSITIES OR FOUNDATIONS IN AFFILIATING WITH
UN UNIVERSITY. ADVISE ASAP.
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